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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 25, 2006 AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 25, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 25, 2006, Applicants herewith request continued examination. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/WEAT/0259.P1/WBP the fee of \$790 for an RCE, \$1,150 for excess claims, and for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 17 of this paper.

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